

In the specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 3 as follows:

Q1 (w.e.)
FIG. 2A-2C 2B show top, side, and end views of the apparatus including floats, which are suitable for over-water applications.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 3 as follows:

Q2 (w.e.)
FIG. 3A-3C 3B are schematics of configurations of the apparatus, including disposition of the pumps, pipings, and casings.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 19 as follows:

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Referring to FIG. 1, apparatus 10 has a casing 12 that is delivered by way of support 14 and support lines 16 to a region to be relocated. The support 14 can be a frame (e.g., an A-frame) made of a suitable material (e.g., wood, metal, polymer) for supporting and delivering the casing. It can also include a system (e.g., a hydraulic system, winch, crane, cables, lines) for lifting and delivering the casing. Disposed within casing 12 is slurry outlet piping 22 (for relocation of the strata slurry), to which is attached screen 24. Also disposed within casing 12 is water inlet piping 28 (for introduction of water to the strata relocation site), to which is attached rotatable side-angled jet nozzle 26. Piping 22 is also attached to slurry pump 30, and piping 28 is attached to water pump 20. Support 14 and pumps 20 and 30 are positioned on barge 40. The pumps are suitable for controlling the flow of water introduced into the vicinity of strata being relocated, or slurry of strata from the original strata location to the new strata location. The pumps can be, for example, water pumps, suction pumps, or trash pumps. In the case of slurry withdrawal pumps (e.g., slurry pump), the pump is suitable for exposure to sand, dirt, rock, gravel, or other abrasive materials in the strata or slurry. Pumps suitable for use in the apparatuses and methods herein are readily available from commercial sources and include those available from Thompson Pump and Manufacturing Co., Inc. (e.g., models J156-6TW, and 6HT-DDS-4), Port Orange, Florida; Liquitex Industrial Sales Inc., Kirkland, QC Canada (e.g., CKX); or ITT-Goulds Pumps, Seneca Falls, New York.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 10 as follows:

04 Referring to FIGS. 2A-2C 2B, barge 40 has two A-frame supports 50, each located at opposite ends of barge 40. Each A-frame support can be further stabilized by support 52. Barge 40 supports pumps 20 and 30 that are centrally disposed on upper surface of the barge 40. Casing 12 is supported (and delivered to the strata) by support line 54, which is controlled by a winch (not shown) and supported over A-frame support 50. Floats 55 are located on the sides and underneath the barge (note that this schematic shows multiple floats underneath the barge although only are specifically numbered). This arrangement would generally include the items discussed in FIG. 1.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 18 as follows:

05 FIG. 3A illustrates another embodiment of the apparatus. Barge 40 has pumps 20 and 30 thereon. To pump 20 is attached water inlet piping 28 disposed within casing 12 only, as well as inlet piping 57 (having screen 58 to filter out sand, gravel, or other particles) through which inlet water is transferred from a source to pump 20, then ultimately to the strata relocation site. To pump 30 is attached slurry withdrawal piping 22, which is disposed within ~~each~~ the other casing 12, as well as discharge dredge pipe 59 for transfer of the slurry to the new location (or attachment to a sprinkler in other embodiments). In this configuration, one casing has the water inlet piping (i.e., introducing water to the relocation site), while the other casing has the slurry withdrawal piping disposed in it. This configuration is suitable for "trenching", or relocation of an area across the distance between the casings.

Please insert the following paragraph before the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 7:

06 FIG. 3C illustrates another embodiment of the apparatus. Barge 40 has pump 20 thereon. To pump 20 is attached water inlet piping 28 disposed within casing 12, as well as inlet piping 57 (having screen 58 to filter out sand, gravel, or other particles) through which inlet water is transferred from a source to pump 20, then ultimately to the strata relocation site. Pump 30 is a submersible pump disposed in casing 12. To pump 30 is attached slurry withdrawal piping 22, which is disposed within each casing 12, as well as discharge dredge pipe 59 for transfer of the slurry to the new location (or attachment to a sprinkler in other embodiments). In this configuration, one casing has the water inlet piping (i.e., introducing water to the relocation site),

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Al while the other casing has the slurry withdrawal piping disposed in it. This configuration is suitable for "trenching", or relocation of an area across the distance between the casings.

The amended paragraphs reflect corrections to the figures or correct minor discrepancies in the specification. The added paragraph describes Fig. 3C which was added to show the submersible pump claimed in original claim 17. Therefore, these amendments do not add new matter.